

REMEDICATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR
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NEW PROGRAM ASSISTANT IN NORTHEAST REGION

Sheila Neuman is the new program assistant for the RR program in our Northeast Region, headquartered in Green Bay. She is taking over the duties formerly assigned to Janis DeBrock. Please contact Sheila for general information regarding Northeast Region, and to set up appointments to review files in that region. Sheila can be reached at 920-492-5868, or by email at neumas@dnr.state.wi.us

RESOLUTIONS FOR SITE ASSESSMENT GRANTS

August first is the due date for small grant applications for Brownfield Site Assessment Grants. The grant application requires the local governmental applicant to include a resolution that commits the applicant to conducting the activities if funding is awarded and provides access to the grant records. Some communities are having difficulty approving the resolution before August 1. As a result, local governmental units have been told that they may include a draft resolution with their applications, and the expected approval date of the resolution. Applicants need to send the final resolution to DNR on or before August 30, 2000, or the application originally submitted for the August 1 deadline will be considered incomplete. For more information, contact Percy Mather at 608-266-9263, or by email at mathep@dnr.state.wi.us

BROWNFIELDS JOB TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PILOTS

U.S. EPA is accepting applications for its Brownfields Job Training and Development Demonstration Pilots through October 16, 2000. Ten pilots should be approved and funded for up to \$200,000 by December 2000, contingent on availability of appropriated funds. The funds are to be used to bring together community groups, job training organizations, employers, investors, lenders, developers, and other affected parties to address the issue of providing training for residents in communities impacted by brownfields. The goals are to facilitate cleanup of brownfield sites and prepare the trainees for future employment in the environmental field. The pilots must prepare trainees in activities that can be usefully applied to a cleanup employing an alternative or innovative technology. Pilot applicants must be located within or near one of the 362 pre-2001 brownfields assessment pilot communities. Colleges, universities, non-profit training centers, community-based job training organizations, states, cities, towns, counties, territories, and federally recognized Indian tribes are eligible to apply. Job training guidelines can be obtained on the internet or by calling the Superfund Hotline at 1-800-424-9346. For more information on the demonstration pilots, contact Myra Blakely at (202) 260-4527 or Doris Thompson at (202) 260-4483, or visit <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>

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